# Bioactive 1,4-Dihydroxy-5-phenyl-2-pyridinone Alkaloids from Septoria pistaciarum

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Four new 1,4-dihydroxy-5-phenyl-2-pyridinone alkaloids (1-4) were isolated from an EtOAc extract of a culture medium of *Septoria pistaciarum*. The structures of these compounds were determined by spectroscopic methods, and the absolute configuration of the major compound (1) was determined by X-ray crystallographic analysis. Compound 1 exhibited moderate in vitro antiplasmodial (antimalarial) activity against chloroquine-sensitive (D6) and -resistant (W2) strains of *Plasmodium falciparum* and cytotoxic activity to Vero cells. Compound 2 was moderately active against both methicillin-sensitive and methicillin-resistant strains of *Staphylococcus aureus*.

Plant-like metabolic pathways found in the apicoplast,<sup>1</sup> a chloroplast-like organelle of *Plasmodium* species, have been identified as suitable targets in malaria drug discovery. A number of herbicides and phytotoxins with known molecular targets in the plastid have been evaluated for antimalarial activity.<sup>2–4</sup> Various phytotoxins released by plant pathogenic fungi are known<sup>5–7</sup> to inhibit metabolic pathways in the apicoplast.<sup>8</sup> As part of our ongoing search for potential sources of new antimalarial compounds, we have screened a number of plant pathogenic fungi for antiplasmodial activity.

*Septoria pistaciarum* (Ascomycetes) is the causative agent of Septoria leaf and fruit spot disease in pistachio (*Pistachia vera*) in the United States<sup>9</sup> and Mediterranean countries.<sup>10</sup> An EtOAc extract of this fungus showed potent herbicidal activity and moderate antiplasmodial activity against *Plasmodium falciparum* albeit with low selectivity index. No previous chemical work has been reported for this species. Bioassay-guided fractionation of the EtOAc extract led to the isolation of a new 1,4-dihydroxy-5-phenyl-2-pyridinone analogue as the active compound. Three additional new but inactive analogues of the same class were also isolated and identified. Several compounds of this class have previously been isolated from a number of fungal species and have shown antibacterial,<sup>11,12</sup> antitumor,<sup>12</sup> antifungal,<sup>11,13</sup> and neurotrophic<sup>14</sup> activities.



## **Results and Discussion**

Compound 1 was isolated as the major active constituent of the EtOAc extract of *S. pistaciarum*. The molecular formula of 1 was determined as  $C_{22}H_{29}NO_4$  by HRESIMS. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra

confirmed the presence of 22 carbon atoms, which comprised five quaternary, 11 methine, two methylene, and four methyl carbons. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and COSY spectra displayed six hydrogens in the aromatic region consisting of a one-proton singlet and an A2B2C system due to a monosubstituted phenyl group. NMR signals in the aromatic region showed close resemblance to those of the 1,4dihydroxy-5-phenyl-2-pyridinone moiety of the antitumor agent TMC-69-6H and its analogues.<sup>12</sup> IR absorptions (3109, 1642, and 1556 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and UV maxima (207.1, 241.0, and 296.0 nm) of 1 were consistent with those reported for a compound with a 1,4dihydroxy-2-pyridinone moiety.<sup>15</sup> In its HMBC spectrum, H-2' and H-6' ( $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.49) showed cross-peaks with C-3' and C-5' ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  128.6), C-4' ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  127.9), C-1' ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  133.4), and C-5 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  114.2), and H-6 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.69) with C-2 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  158.0), C-4 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  161.4), C-5 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  114.2), and C-1' ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  133.4), supporting the partial structure of the substituted pyridinone ring moiety. In the aliphatic region, the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum showed two doublets, representing two oxymethine hydrogens, and four methyl resonances, comprising three doublets and a triplet. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR data additionally indicated the presence of a tetrahydropyrano ring attached to C-3 of the pyridinone ring similar to TMC-69-6H.<sup>12</sup> The H-7 oxymethine doublet ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.72) showed cross-peaks in the HMBC spectrum with C-4 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  161.4), C-2 (δ<sub>C</sub> 158.0), C-3 (δ<sub>C</sub> 110.4), C-11 (δ<sub>C</sub> 89.9), C-9 (δ<sub>C</sub> 42.2), C-8  $(\delta_{\rm C} 36.8)$ , and C-15  $(\delta_{\rm C} 17.5)$ . The H-11 oxymethine doublet at  $\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.07 similarly displayed HMBC correlations with C-7 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  81.4), C-9 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  42.2), C-12 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  35.6), C-13 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  22.1), C-16 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  17.5), and C-17 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  17.2). The methyl triplet at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  0.98 showed HMBC crosspeaks with C-12 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  35.5) and C-13 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  22.0), confirming its  $\omega$ location in the chain. These correlations strongly suggested the gross structure 1 depicted for this compound. The HMBC correlations of other proton resonances and COSY correlations further supported this structure (Figure 1).

The relative configuration of compound **1** was determined by the <sup>1</sup>H NMR coupling constants and ROESY data. A  ${}^{3}J_{7,8}$  value of 10.2 Hz suggested that H-7 and H-8 were *trans*-diaxially oriented. A  ${}^{3}J_{10,11}$  value of 10.2 Hz similarly indicated the *trans*-diaxial arrangement of H-10 and H-11. The lack of three-bond coupling of H-11 and H-12 may reflect a C-11–C-12 conformation having H-11 and H-12 orthogonally oriented in order to minimize van der Waals interaction between the C-10 and C-11 alkyl groups. In the ROESY spectrum H-7 displayed interactions with H-11 and CH<sub>3</sub>-15, indicating the cofacial orientation of the three groups. Similarly, H-11 showed interactions with H-7 and CH<sub>3</sub>-16 (Figure 1).

This compound afforded crystals that were suitable for crystallographic analysis. On the basis of Cu K $\alpha$  X-ray diffraction data, the absolute configuration of compound **1** was assigned as 7*R*, 8*R*,

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Key HMBC ( ) correlations



Key ROESY (





**Figure 2.** Single-crystal X-ray structure of compound **1**, showing the absolute configuration of one of the four independent molecules.

10*S*, 11*R*, and 12*R*. The solid-state structure contains four independent molecules, one of which is illustrated in Figure 2. All four have an intramolecular OH····O hydrogen bond to the tetrahydropyran oxygen, with O····O distances in the range 2.577(19) to 2.5930(19) Å. The four molecules differ only slightly in conformation, except for that about the bond joining the heterocyclic and phenyl rings, for which C–C–C–C torsion angles vary from  $-50.5(3)^{\circ}$  to  $+44.(3)^{\circ}$ .

Compound **2** had a molecular formula of  $C_{23}H_{31}NO_4$  as determined by HRESIMS. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were similar to those of compound **1** except for the presence of an *O*-methyl resonance in the spectra of the former. This indicated that compound **2** was an *O*-methyl analogue of compound **1**. The COSY, HMQC, and HMBC spectra of compound **2** showed correlations identical to those observed for compound **1**. Additionally, the *O*-methyl

resonance showed no cross-peaks in the HMBC spectrum, whereas the OH proton ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  9.69) correlated with C-3 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  111.8), C-4 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$ 161.8), and C-5 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  114.2), suggesting that the *O*-methyl group was located on the nitrogen. The upfield shift of H-6 of compound **2** relative to that of compound **1** is consistent with the structural modification. Identical coupling constants and ROESY correlations indicated that compounds **1** and **2** have the same relative configuration.

The molecular formula of compound 3 was established as C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>31</sub>NO<sub>5</sub> by HRESIMS. Its <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was similar to compound 2, the major differences being the replacement of the methyl triplet by two diastereotopic oxymethylene hydrogens in the spectrum of 3. This suggested that compound 3 was the C-14 oxygenated analogue of 2. Comparison of the <sup>13</sup>C NMR data of these compounds also confirmed the replacement of a methyl by an oxymethylene group in 3. The COSY spectrum of compound 3 displayed cross-peaks between the C-14 oxymethylene ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  3.58, 3.73) and C-13 methylene protons ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.23, 1.75). The COSY correlations for the rest of the hydrogen resonances were identical to those of compound 2. In the HMBC spectrum the oxymethylene protons showed cross-peaks with C-13 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  32.3) and C-12 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  30.1). The remaining HMBC correlations were identical to those observed for compound 2. These observations suggested that compound 3 was the C-14 hydroxy analogue of 2. ROESY correlations and coupling constants of H-7, H-9, and H-11 of compound 3 were identical to those observed for compound 1, indicating that these two compounds had the same relative configuration.

The molecular formula of compound **4** was determined by HRESIMS as  $C_{25}H_{33}NO_6$ . The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra and COSY and HMBC correlations of this compound were similar to those observed for compound **3**. Major differences involved the presence of an additional methyl singlet ( $\delta_H$  2.01) and two carbon signals [ $\delta_C$  21.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 171.8 (CO)] in its <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra, respectively. The downfield shift of proton signals due to the C-14 oxymethylene group and HMBC correlations between these protons and the acetyl carbonyl carbon indicated that compound **4** was the 14-*O*-acetyl analogue of compound **3**.

Since the pyridinone analogues 1-4 presumably share a common biosynthetic origin involving an aromatic amino acid and an activated polyketide,<sup>16</sup> analogues **2**, **3**, and **4** also possess the 7*R*, 8*R*, 10*S*, 11*R*, 12*R* absolute configuration. Such an assumption is supported by the fact that all four compounds are strongly dextrorotatory.

The in vitro antiplasmodial activities of compounds 1-4 are summarized in Table 3. Compound 1 demonstrated moderate antiplasmodial activity, whereas compounds 2-4 were inactive. The selectivity index of antiplasmodial activity was calculated on the basis of their cytotoxicity to mammalian kidney fibroblasts (Vero cells) determined in parallel experiments. Compound 1 was cytotoxic to Vero cells, and its low selectivity indices preclude it as an antimalarial drug lead.

Compound **2** exhibited moderate activity against both methicillinsensitive and methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (Table 4). The cytotoxic potential of these compounds was further evaluated against a panel of solid tumor cell lines (SK-MEL, KB, BT-549, SK-OV-3) and kidney epithelial cells (LLC-PK<sub>11</sub>) (Table 5). Compound **1** showed moderate cytotoxicity against all the cell lines, while compound **2** was inactive. The presence of an *N*-hydroxy group appears to be essential for the activity of these compounds. It is interesting to note that a free *N*-hydroxy group was also a prerequisite for the activity of cordypyridones, a group of 1,4dihydroxy-2-pyridinone alkaloids with moderate antiplasmodial activity previously reported from a fungus.<sup>15</sup>

## **Experimental Section**

**General Experimental Procedures.** Melting points were measured with a Unimelt, Thomas-Hoover capillary melting point apparatus. Optical rotations were measured using a Rudolph Research Analytical

**Table 1.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR Data ( $\delta_{\rm H}$ ) (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/methanol- $d_4$ ) for Compounds 1–4

	1		2		3		4	
position	$\delta_{\rm H} (J \text{ in Hz})$	HMBC	$\delta_{\rm H} (J \text{ in Hz})$	HMBC	$\delta_{\rm H} (J \text{ in Hz})$	HMBC	$\delta_{\rm H} (J \text{ in Hz})$	HMBC
6	7.69, s	1', 2, 4, 5	7.43, s	1', 2, 4	7.42, s	1', 2, 4, 5	7.44, s	1', 2, 4, 5
7	4.72, d (10.2)	2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 11, 15	4.73, d (10.2)	2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 11	4.72, d (10.2)	2, 4, 8, 9, 11, 15	4.75, d (10.2)	2, 4, 8, 9, 11, 15
8	1.88, m	7, 15	1.87, m	7, 15	1.88, m	7, 15	1.88, m	7, 15
9	1.82, dt (13.2, 3.6) 1.12, q (12.6) 1.14, q (12.6)	7, 8, 10, 11, 15, 16	1.82, dt (13.2, 3.6) 1.13, q (12.6)	7, 8, 10, 11, 15, 16	1.85 1.13, q (12.6)	7, 8, 10, 11, 15, 16		
10	1.76, m	16	1.75, m	9.16	1.76, m	11, 16	1.71, m	16
11	3.07, d (10.2)	7, 9, 12, 13, 16, 17	3.07, d (10.2)	7, 9, 12, 13, 16, 17	3.08, d (9.6)	7, 9, 12, 13, 16, 17	3.10, d (10.2)	7, 9, 12, 13, 16, 17
12	1.66, m	14, 17	1.65, m	14	1.96, m	13, 14, 17	1.61, m	14, 17
13	1.02, m 1.56, m	11, 12, 14, 17	1.00, m 1.54, m	12, 14, 17	1.23, m 1.74, m	11, 14, 17	1.21, m 1.61, m	12, 14, 17
14	0.90, t (7.2)	12, 13	0.88, t (7.2)	12, 13	3.56, brq (9.0) 3.71, m	12, 13	4.02, m 4.13, m	12, 13
15	0.73, d (6.6)	7, 8, 9	0.88, d (6.6)	7, 8, 9	0.86, d (6.6)	7, 8, 9	0.88, d (6.6)	7, 8, 9
16	0.84, d (6.6)	9, 10, 11	0.83, d (6.6)	9, 10, 11	0.84, d (6.6)	9, 10, 11	0.85, d (6.6)	9, 10, 11
17	0.98, d (6.6)	11, 12, 13	0.96, d (6.6)	11, 12, 13	0.97, d (7.2)	11, 12, 13	1.00, d (6.6)	11, 12, 13
2',6'	7.49, d (7.8)	1', 3', 4', 5, 5'	7.45, d (7.2)	1', 3', 4', 5, 5'	7.42, d (7.8)	1', 3', 4', 5, 5'	7.45, d (7.2)	1', 3', 4', 5, 5'
3'.5'	7.43, t (7.8)	1', 2', 4', 6'	7.40, t (7.8)	1', 2', 4', 6'	7.38, t (7.8)	1', 2', 4', 6'	7.40, t (7.2)	1', 2', 4', 6'
4'	7.35, t (7.2)	2', 3', 5', 6'	7.33, t (7.8)	2', 3', 5', 6'	7.13, t (7.8)	2', 3', 5', 6'	7.34, t (7.2)	2', 3', 5', 6'
OH OCH <sub>3</sub> COCH <sub>3</sub>	9.72, s	3, 4, 5	9.69, s 4.01, s	3, 4, 5	9.66, s 4.03, s	3, 4, 5	9.49, s 4.05 2.01, s	3, 4, 5

**Table 2.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR Data ( $\delta_c$ ) (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/methanol- $d_4$ ) of Compounds 1–4

position	1	2	3	4
2	158.0	158.0	158.0	158.0
3	110.4	111.8	111.7	111.7
4	161.4	161.8	161.8	161.7
5	114.2	114.3	114.4	114.3
6	131.8	132.9	133.0	133.4
7	81.4	81.3	81.4	81.5
8	36.8	36.9	36.8	36.8
9	42.2	42.2	42.1	42.0
10	32.6	32.6	32.6	32.7
11	89.9	89.9	89.8	89.6
12	35.6	35.6	30.1	30.4
13	22.1	22.1	32.3	28.4
14	12.8	12.8	61.0	63.0
15	17.5	17.8	17.7	17.8
16	17.5	17.5	17.6	17.3
17	17.2	17.1	17.4	17.6
1'	133.4	133.4	133.3	133.0
2',6'	129.3	129.2	129.2	129.3
3',5'	128.6	128.6	128.5	128.6
4'	127.9	127.8	127.8	128.0
OCH <sub>3</sub>		65.0	65.0	65.1
COCH <sub>3</sub>				21.1
$\underline{COCH}_3$				171.8

Table 3.	Antiplasmodial	Activity of	of Compounds	<b>1</b> -4 <sup><i>a</i></sup>

	chloroquine-se (D6)-clon	nsitive e	chloroquine-re (W2)-clor	cytotoxicity to Vero cells	
compound	IC <sub>50</sub> , ng/mL	S.I.	IC <sub>50</sub> , ng/mL	S.I.	IC <sub>50</sub> , ng/mL
1	330	3.9	200	6.5	1300
2	NA		NA		NC
3	NA		NA		NC
4	NA		NA		NC
chloroquine <sup>b</sup>	10		100		NC
artemisinin <sup>b</sup>	4.7		3.8		NC

<sup>*a*</sup> NC, not cytotoxic at the highest dose (4760 ng/mL) tested. NA, not active at the highest dose (4760 ng/mL) tested. S.I. (selectivity index) =  $IC_{50}$  for cytotoxicity/IC<sub>50</sub> for antiplasmodial activity. <sup>*b*</sup> Positive controls.

Autopol IV automatic polarimeter model 589-546. UV and IR spectra were recorded on a Varian-50 Bio UV—visible spectrophotometer and a Bruker-Tensor-27 infrared spectrophotometer, respectively. NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian-Mercury-plus-400 or Varian Unity-Inova-600 spectrometer using CDCl<sub>3</sub>/methanol- $d_4$  as the solvent unless otherwise stated. MS analyses were performed on an Agilent Series 1100 SL equipped with an ESI source (Agilent Technologies, Palo Alto, CA). Column chromatography was carried out on Merck silica gel 60 (230–400 mesh). Preparative TLC was carried out using silica gel GF plates (20  $\times$  20 cm, thickness 0.25 mm).

#### Fermentation, Extraction, and Isolation.

Septoria pistaciarum Caracc. (ATCC 22201) was obtained from the American Type Culture Collection (Manassas, VA) and grown in potato dextrose agar plates at 27 °C for 12 days. An Erlenmeyer flask containing 100 mL of potato dextrose broth was inoculated with small agar pieces ( $0.25 \text{ in.} \times 0.25 \text{ in.}$ ) and were incubated at 27 °C for 7 days on a shaker (RPM = 100). This seed culture was used to inoculate 20 × 1 L Erlenmeyer flasks each containing 500 mL of M-2 medium (modified Czapex Dox medium: Czapex Dox 35.0 g, yeast extract 1.5 g malt extract 1.5 g in 1 L of distilled H<sub>2</sub>O), and the flasks were incubated at 27 °C for 28 days on a shaker (RPM = 100). The culture broth and mycelia were extracted with EtOAc (×3), and the organic layer was evaporated under reduced pressure to give an oily residue (5.2 g).

The oily extract (5.0 g) was chromatographed over Sephadex LH-20 and eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>/MeOH (20:80) to give 12 fractions. Fractions 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 showed antiplasmodial activity (IC<sub>50</sub> < 529 ng/mL). Fractions 3, 4, and 5 were combined and chromatographed over a reversed-phase C-18 column eluting with a gradient of 10% to 100% MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O to yield five fractions. Subfraction 4 was further purified by crystallization from MeOH and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> to give compound **1** as white crystals (53.0 mg). Combined fractions 6 and 7 were chromatographed over a silica gel column using CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/hexanes as the eluent to give 10 subfractions. Subfraction 7 was further separated on Sephadex LH-20 (MeOH) followed by preparative TLC (2% MeOH in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) to give compound **2** (20.0 mg) and compound **3** (12.0 mg). Subfraction 4 was chromatographed over reversed-phase C-18 eluting with CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O (40:60) to give compound **4** (3.0 mg).

**Compound 1:** white crystals (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/MeOH); mp 220 °C;  $[\alpha]^{26}_{\rm D}$ +201 (*c* 0.4, CH<sub>3</sub>OH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\rm max}$  (log  $\varepsilon$ ) 207.1 (3.78), 241.0 (3.75), 296.0 (3.03) nm; IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\nu_{\rm max}$  3109, 2963, 2927, 1642, 1556, 1454, 1225 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data (see Tables 1 and 2); HRESIMS [M - H]<sup>-</sup> *m*/*z* 370.2012 (calcd for (C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>29</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> - H)<sup>-</sup>, 370.2018).

**Compound 2:** amorphous;  $[\alpha]^{26}_{D}$  +15 (*c* 0.375, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\varepsilon$ ) 207.1 (2.15), 241.0 (1.96), 297.0 (0.88) nm; IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\nu_{max}$  3318, 2917, 1686, 1047 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data (see Tables 1 and 2); HRESIMS [M + H]<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 386.2423 (calcd for (C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>31</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> + H)<sup>+</sup>, 386.2331).

**Compound 3:** amorphous;  $[\alpha]^{26}_{D}$  +190 (*c* 0.6, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\varepsilon$ ) 205.0 (3.61), 241.0 (3.46), 290.0 (2.72) nm; IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\nu_{max}$  3212, 2929, 2341, 1647, 1557, 1456, 1057 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data (see Tables 1 and 2); HRESIMS [M + H]<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 402.236 (calcd for (C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>31</sub>NO<sub>5</sub> + H)<sup>+</sup>, 402.228).

**Compound 4:** amorphous:  $[\alpha]^{26}_{D}$  +47 (*c* 0.25, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\varepsilon$ ) 205.0 (2.56), 241.0 (2.69) nm; IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\nu_{max}$  3331, 2925, 2853, 1736, 1647, 1227, 1053 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data (see Tables 1 and 2); HRESIMS [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> *m*/*z* 466.2307 (calcd for (C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>33</sub>NO<sub>6</sub> + Na)<sup>+</sup>, 466.2205).

**Table 4.** Antifungal and Antibacterial Activity of Compounds 1 and  $2^{a}$ 

	Candida	Candida albicans		Aspergillus fumigatus		Staphylococcus aureus		MRSA	
compound	IC <sub>50</sub>	MIC	IC <sub>50</sub>	MIC	IC <sub>50</sub>	MIC	IC <sub>50</sub>	MIC	
1	12.07	NT	8.76	NT	NA	NA	NA	NA	
2	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.79	5.00	2.99	5.00	
amphotericin B	0.42	2.50	1.16	2.50	NT	NT	NT	NT	
ciprofloxacin	NT	NT	NT	NT	0.09	0.25	0.05	0.25	

<sup>*a*</sup> IC<sub>50</sub> and MIC (minimum inhibitory concentration, the lowest test concentration that allows no growth) values are in  $\mu$ g/mL. NA: not active at the highest test concentration of 20  $\mu$ g/mL. NT: not tested.

Table 5. Cytotoxic Activity  $[IC_{50} \ (\mu g/mL)]$  of Compounds 1 and 2

	SK-MEL	KB	BT-549	SK-OV-3	LLC-PK11	Vero
1	1.5	5.0	1.65	2.6	1.65	1.4
2	$NA^{b}$	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
doxorubicin <sup>a</sup>	0.6	1.35	0.8	1.2	0.6	>5.0

 $^a$  Positive control.  $^b$  NA: not active at the highest test concentration of 10  $\mu g/mL$ .

**Crystallographic Data for Compound 1.** X-ray data were collected at low temperature (90 K) on a Bruker Kappa Apex-II diffractometer equipped with a graphite-monochromated Cu K $\alpha$  ( $\lambda = 1.54178$  Å) source, yielding 14 467 independent data to  $\theta_{max} = 69.0^{\circ}$ . Crystals were monoclinic, space group  $P2_1$ , with a = 11.1427(9) Å, b = 13.0004(10)Å, c = 28.073(2) Å,  $\beta = 90.430(5)^{\circ}$ , Z = 8. Refinement of the model containing four independent molecules resulted in R = 0.038 for 1015 parameters. Resonant scattering, principally from the O atoms, resulted in a Flack<sup>17</sup> parameter x = 0.01(9) and a Hooft<sup>18</sup> parameter y = 0.09(5)for 6739 Bijvoet pairs. This corresponds to a probability of 1.000 that the illustrated configuration is correct.

Antimicrobial Assay. All organisms were obtained from the American Type Culture Collection (Manassas, VA) and include the fungi *Candida albicans* ATCC 90028, *C. glabrata* ATCC 90030, *C. krusei* ATCC 6258, *Cryptococcus neoformans* ATCC 90113, and *Aspergillus fumigatus* ATCC 90906 and the bacteria *Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 29213, methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 33591 (MRSA), *Escherichia coli* ATCC 35218, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* ATCC 27853, and *Mycobacterium intracellulare* ATCC 23068. Susceptibility testing was performed using a modified version of the CLSI methods<sup>19,20</sup> as described by Samoylenko et al.<sup>21</sup> The drug controls ciprofloxacin (ICN Biomedicals, OH) for bacteria and amphotericin B (ICN Biomedicals) for fungi were included in each assay.

Assay for in Vitro Antiplasmodial Activity. In vitro antiplasmodial activity was determined against D6 (chloroquine-sensitive) and W2 (chloroquine-resistant) strains of Plasmodium falciparum as described earlier.<sup>22</sup> A 200  $\mu$ L suspension of red blood cells, infected with P. falciparum (2% parasitemia and 2% hematocrit), in RPMI 1640 medium supplemented with 10% human serum and 60  $\mu$ g/mL amikacin was added to the wells of a 96-well plate containing  $10 \,\mu\text{L}$  of serially diluted samples. The plate was flushed with a gas mixture of 90% N2, 5% O2, and 5% CO2 and incubated at 37 °C for 72 h in a modular incubation chamber (Billups-Rothenberg, CA). Parasitic lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) activity was determined by mixing 20  $\mu$ L of the incubation mixture with 100 µL of Malstat reagent (Flow Inc., Portland, OR) and incubating at room temperature for 30 min. Then 20  $\mu$ L of a 1:1 mixture of NBT/PES (Sigma, St. Louis, MO) was added, and the plate further incubated in the dark for 1 h. The reaction was stopped by adding 100 µL of HOAc (5%). Plates were read at 650 nm. Artemisinin and chloroquine were included as the drug controls, and IC50 values were computed from the dose-response curves.

Assay for Cytotoxicity to Mammalian Cells. In vitro cytotoxicity was determined against a panel of mammalian cells that included kidney fibroblast (Vero), kidney epithelial (LLC-PK<sub>11</sub>), malignant melanoma (SK-MEL), oral epidermal carcinoma (KB), breast ductal carcinoma (BT-549), and ovary carcinoma (SK-OV-3) cells.<sup>23</sup> The assay was performed in 96-well tissue culture-treated plates. Cells were seeded to the wells of a 96-well plate at a density of 25 000 cells/well and incubated for 24 h. Samples at different concentrations were added, and plates were again incubated for 48 h. The number of viable cells was determined by using Neutral Red dye, and IC<sub>50</sub> values were

obtained from dose-response curves. Doxorubicin was used as a positive control.

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Supporting Information Available: NMR spectra of compounds 1-4, single-crystal X-ray structure of compound, and cif files of the X-ray data for compound 1. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at http://pubs.acs.org.

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